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| **6-7 Points** | **8-9 Points** | **10 Points** |
| **REFERENCES** 1 or 2 **Basic** **Ideas** from the readings  **RESTATES** **facts** from the readings with limited consideration of the main points  **Stimulates** further **discussion**  **Connects** to class content **and/or** life experience | **REFERENCES** **Significant** **IDEAS** from the readings  Goes **BEYOND** **RESTATING** of fact and **ANALYZES points** from readings  **Stimulates** further **INSIGHTFUL** **discussion**  Makes **RELEVANT** **connections** to class content **and/or** life experience | **EVALUATES Significant** **IDEAS** from the readings  **INTERPRETS** and gives **NEW** **INSIGHT** to **points** **discussed** in the readings  **POSES** **THOUGHT PROVOKING** discussion and/or **debate**  Makes several **INSIGHTFUL** **connections** to **BOTH** class content AND life experience |

**Initial POST / Response to Articles:**

**Response to a Classmate’s Post :**

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| **3 points** | **4 points** | **5 points** |
| clearly **identifies** original post  Connects to and **shows clear understanding** of original post  **Considers ideas** of original post and **agrees/disagrees respectfully**  **References ideas** from previous post, but **avoids excess repetition** | **All “3” criteria plus:**  **Supports and/or defends** ideas with **relevant explanations and examples** | **All previous criteria plus:**  Advances discussion with **new examples or insights**  **New connections** are developed with **depth and detail** |